

**CITY OF LOS ANGELES
CIVIC CENTER CLEANLINESS & OTHER ISSUES**

1:00p.m., Wednesday, April 24, 2019
Room 706, City Hall South

Present:

Valerie Melloff, GSD – AGM
Brian Buchner, Mayor’s Office
Cesar Avalos, GSD – Custodial
Angelina Huang, GSD – Custodial
Elvia P. Garcia, GSD – Custodial
Eric Robles, GSD – Special Services
Pierre Riotoc, GSD – Special Services
Robert Gonzalez, Recreation and Parks
Monique Contreras, LAPD
Chi Ming Gong, Bureau of Street Services
John Scott, GSD – BMD
Monica Helper, LAPD – SECSO
Ed Petterez, LAPD – SECSO
Bruno Huerta, Personnel
Najma Bashar. Personnel
Matthew Tenchavez, LAHSA

MINUTES / ACTION ITEMS

Comprehensive Clean-up on Saturday’s:

- LASAN not in attendance.
- LAPD stated that clean-up is occurring without any issues. Clean Harbors did recommend that hot water pressure washing be done once a month; Clean Harbors is able to provide this service but these services need to be requested.

LA Mall / North Dock: Department of Public Health inspected.

- Grease Box: waiting on information from RES.
- Satellite Dish that needs to be moved: RES to report back on that issue.
- Recycling Cage: Complete.
- Roll off Dumpsters: Complete, lids are being closed.
- BMD: will report on issues that have been completed and will supply report received from County Health.

Triforium Area:

- BMD: will report back on completeness of issues.

- This was being treated as a separate case from the Civic Center report, BMD to report back if they have a separate report from County Health regarding this area.

Trees/Vegetation:

- RAP: All trees but one tree have been trimmed, that last tree is believed to be dead and will be handled next week.
- There was a walk-through with BOE and they mentioned a creeping vine by Los Angeles Street leading into the parking garage needs to be cleared off.
- Landscaping Proposal: BOE will come back with a plan proposal by the end of the fiscal year; date can be verified with BMD since they were in attendance.

LAHSA:

- There was 12 shelter placements reported last, since last month there have been 5 more for a total of 17. Three have been included in the El Pueblo Shelter, from there 8 people have been placed in permanent housing and one of those people was from the Civic Center Area. Outreach staff has noticed people moving from the Civic Center to Grand Park and to 1st Street & Broadway.

Rodent and Pests

- BSS: has not found any new burrows so inspections are being scaled back to once every other week. All trees have been trimmed. BSS received a report from CATS USA pest control advisor; there are a lot of recommendations to get a handle on fleas and rats BSS will share these recommendations.
- BMD: CATS found more burrows and dusted and collapsed them in the LA Mall area this was just before the freeway by the stairs; hopefully the mesh that was installed will keep them out because they could have been getting to the North Dock from there.

Grates:

- BMD: Complete.
- Custodial: Pressure washing complete. Waiting for contractor to confirm schedule for second phase; cleaning of the moles and pits below.
- There are similar grate issues around CHE and CHS. Valerie would like report backs on recommendations and reasoning for installing mesh on those grates as well, to determine how necessary this is.

Trash Plan:

- Custodial: funding was received but has not heard back from LASAN to help determine the contract and model.

Horseshoe Area in 4th Floor of City Hall:

- Complete: bins are in place and are being serviced.

Protective Coating and Sealing:

- Enzyme worked great, waiting on vendor to test out the sealant to determine best process.

Mesh on Gate of Stairs Exit:

- BMD: Complete.

Charging Stations:

- Special Services will report back, Construction is currently working on this.

Meal Distribution:

- LAHSA can outreach to the group that is feeding the Homeless but request support from LAPD to enforce cleanliness of areas. The issue with the group feeding the Homeless is the trash that is being left behind; they are usually there every day between 6:30 a.m. and 7:00 a.m.

Reports in Writing (to be submitted at next meeting):

- Valerie would like to receive a written report from each participating Department/Division/Bureau detailing all issues that have been addressed and completed. This report should include a plan stating how issues that were addressed will continue to be mitigated and any costs and resources associated with this plan and if it is sustainable and if not what can be done to maintain an appropriate level of service.

Signage:

- Signage is still Temporary permanent signage has not been approved by City Attorney.
- Signage needs to be placed by Discovery Center again, since temporary signage was posted it had been removed. Special Services will work with BMD for placement of those signs.

Next Meeting:

- May 15, 2019 at 2:00 p.m.